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Concise Explanation Of Relevance:

US 4,851,837: discloses "converting input digital words into code words ... providing a plurality of groups of code words and selecting a group from which a code word will be taken in any instance on the basis of the immediately proceeding code word"

US 5,642,113: co-pending application with related subject matter.

US 4,387,364: cited by 5,642,113

US 5,136,436: cited by 5,642,113

EU 5136436: cited by 5,642,113

Article by French & Wolf: section 4 discloses sliding block codes shown in figure 5.

Article by Baldwin: similar to 4,851,837 with some more details.